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In re application of: Lee A. Nosbisch

Application No.: 10/699,535

Group No.: 1742 Confirmation No.: 2703

Filed: October 31, 2003

Examiner: Scott R. Kastler

For: STARTER SET FOR BRICK LINING OF LADLES USED IN HANDLING MOLTEN METAL

**RESPONSE UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP
1742**

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.
STATUS

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STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+	\$ 0.00	= \$ 0.00
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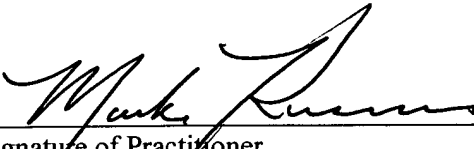
No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-0537.
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 19, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Declaration of Lee A. Nosbisch is attached hereto (following page 2 of this Response).